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MEMORANDUM FOR:  Deputy Director for Administration

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SUBJECT        :  ODP Report for Week Ending 11 February 1977


## Survey of ADP Requirements

Management Staff has requested ADP Control Officers to identify ADP requirements through FY 1980. This information is required for the FY-79 Program and planning purposes.

## Additional FY 1975 Allotment

ODP received an additional $40,000 in funds to cover FY 1975 obligations.

## CAMS

A new release of CAMS software was delivered 4 February. The release was originally scheduled for 6 February but was delivered early so COMIREX could take advantage of the increased processing speed of APPROVE software during the weekend.

A problem involving CAMS recovery after the system has gone down was encountered on the CAMS system on 3 February. The problem will be corrected in Release 4.0. The data base integrity was preserved and we are working around the problem procedurally.

The State Department CAMS terminal was down from 5 February to 9 February because of communications line and terminal problems.

The D/OC has agreed to play a more active role in attempting to improve reliability of CAMS communications, even though most of the supporting network does not belong to OC. OC representatives will participate in our weekly CAMS Steering Group meeting.

## SAFE

Final proposals were received from vendors for the Design Services contract and are currently being reevaluated. The evaluation will be completed by 16 February.

ADSTAR

The ADSTAR Oversight Committee was briefed on Phase I status and problems. We predicted that the high volume print function will require hardware development, that the budgeted funds will be insufficient, and that the schedule will have to be extended.

RAPID

The monthly Steering Committee meeting focused on two items: 1) Definitive criteria for assessing progress of the contractor, 2) assurance that all external messages transmitted to RAPID will be received by RAPID. The ████████ODP RAPID Team has been directed to develop assessment criteria and a draft solution to the message assurance question by 18 February 1977, in preparation for a trip to the contractor the following week.

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A review of the overall RAPID schedule is taking place. It is hoped to confirm the schedule or to bring to light any possible modifications or additions which might further enhance meeting critical milestones.

Support to Office of Personnel

PERSIGN-MAINT. OP has accepted the ODP schedule for maintenance programming over the next five months.

A special report was produced and delivered to OP for use in preparation for a Congressional briefing.

Support to Office of Finance

GAS - General Accounting System. Fine tuning has begun in an effort to improve turnaround of the GAS jobs. Reducing the use of tape drives and seldom used backup procedures are the areas being considered.

Several program bugs and hardware failures caused a three day delay in processing end-of-month activity.

Processing and Applications personnel changed monthly processing procedures, resulting in a five hour reduction in processing time.

Support to Office of Geographic & Cartographic Research

AGRET - Spring wheat prediction system. ODP forwarded a project proposal to OGCR which lists the tasks to be completed prior to the 1977 grain growing season. The schedule

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necessary to support this effort required that two additional programmers be assigned to the project.

Training

A three day course, Basic JCL, was completed by 18 students.

A five day course, IM II Procedures, was completed by 11 students.

A five half-day course, PC for Operations, was completed by 17 ODP operators.

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